

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	KOREN ET AL.	Examiner:	L. SPECTOR
Serial No.:	10/731,595	Group Art Unit:	1647
Filed:	DECEMBER 8, 2003	Docket No.:	11669.72USD1
Title:	IDENTIFICATION AND MODIFICATION OF IMMUNODOMINANT EPITOPES IN POLYPEPTIDES		

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

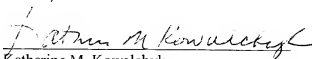
This paper is being filed in response to the restriction requirement dated September 29, 2006. While not acquiescing to the statements of the Examiner, Applicants elect the species of polypeptide modified by deletion, a species of thrombopoietin or cytokines, and further elect the species of TPO comprising amino acids 1-317 of Figure 7. Applicants understand this to be an election of species and other species will be searched if these species are found allowable.

Applicants request examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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